

REMARKS

Applicants hereby acknowledge receipt of the final office action mailed August 18, 2011. Claims 1-4, 7-10, and 19-22 are pending.

Entry and consideration of the following remarks are respectfully requested because they are believed to place the application in condition for allowance.

I. Non-Statutory Obvious-Type Double Patenting Rejection

The Examiner maintains that claims 1-4 and 8-10 are rejected on the ground of nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over Claims 1, 3, 5, and 14 of US Patent No. 7,968,705.

Applicants have provided a terminal disclaimer over US Patent No. 7,968,705 in order to facilitate prosecution. As such, Applicants respectfully submit that the nonstatutory obvious-type double patenting rejection is rendered moot and withdrawal of the rejection is respectfully solicited.

II. Response to Arguments

Applicants thank the Examiner for withdrawal of the 112 2nd rejections of the claims.

CONCLUSION

In view of the remarks above, Applicants respectfully submit that this application is in condition for allowance and request favorable action thereon. The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned if any additional information is required.

As this response is filed within the statutory period for response, Applicants believe that no fees, in addition to the appropriate extension of time, are due. If any additional fees are required, they may be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-4254, referencing Attorney Docket No. 2919208-002000.

Respectfully submitted,

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